



The following Character
of her late Majesty
QUEEN ANNE

was Written by her Grace
**Sarah Dutches
of Marlborough**
& is cut Round this Pedestal.

Erected at **BLenheim**.

Queen ANNE was very Graceful & Majestic in her Person. Religious without Affectation; she always meant well. She had no false Ambition which appear'd, by her never complaining at King William's being preferred to the Crown before her, when it was taken from the King her father, for following such Counsels & pursuing such Measures, as render'd the Revolution necessary; it was Her greatest Affliction to act against Him even for Security; her Journey to Nottingham was never concerted, but occasion'd by the great Consternation she was under at the King's sudden return from Salisbury. She always paid the greatest Respect to King William & Queen Mary; never insisted upon any one Circumstance of Grandeur more than what was establish'd in her Family by King Charles II, though after the Revolution she was Presumptive Heir to the Crown. & after his Death of her Sister was in the Place of Prince of Wales. Upon her Accession to the Throne, the Civil List was not increased. The late Lord of Godolphin Lord High Treasurer of England has often said, that from Accidents in the Customs, & Lenity in the Collection it did not arise one Year with another to more than Five Hundred Thousand Pounds a Year. She had

no Vanity in Her Expences, nor bought any one Jewel in the whole Time of her Reign. She paid out of her Civil List many Pensions granted in former Reigns which have since been thrown upon the Publick. When a War was necessary to secure Europe against the Power of France, she contributed in one Year towards the War, out of her Civil List, one Hundred Thousand Pounds, in case of her Subjects; She granted the Revenue arising from the first fruits, to augment the Provisions of the poor Clergy. She never refus'd her private Charity to proper Objects. Till a few Years before her Death, she never had but Twenty Thousand Pounds a Year for her Privy Purse; at the latter End of her Reign it did not exceed Twenty Six Thousand Pounds a Year; and was much to her Honour, because it is Subject to no Account. And as to her Robes, it will appear by the Records in the Exchequer, that in Nine Years she spent only Thirty two Thousand & Fifty Pounds including of Coronation Expence. She was extremely well bred, treated her chief Ladies & Servants as if they had been Her Equals; her behaviour to all that approach'd Her was decent & full of Dignity, and shew'd Condescension, without Art or Meanness: all this I know to be true. **SARAH MARLBOROUGH. 1739**

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John and Elizabeth Smelt



WHITE-HALL:

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Behold the liquid Thames now frozen
That lively Ship of mighty Britain
Here Wretches, for want to row in Boats,
Make use of Bouse to get them Pater and Grouse.

Here you may print your Name, tho' cannot Write,
Crude mudd with Cold: 'Tis done with great Delight
And lay it by, that Ages yet to come,
May see what Things upon th. Ice are done.